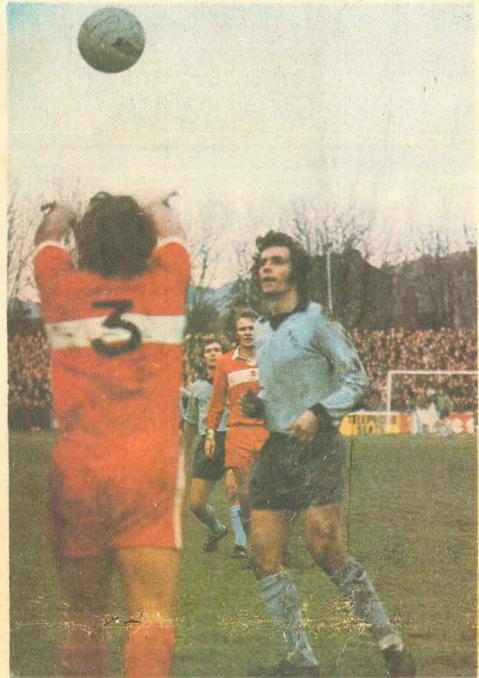


WYCOMBE WONDERS

Sunderland next after a miracle at Middlesbro'



Frank Spraggon takes a throw-in in police by Wycombe's Keith Searie. Also in the picture are Middlesbrough's John Hickton and the Wanderers' Howard Kennedy. Hickton, a leading goal scorer for several seasons for the Borough, had a thin time of it against Wycombe's centre backs, Alan Phillips and Keith Mead. Colour pictures by Bob Mead.

- Sports Editor Stuart Earp is up at Middlesbrough for Tuesday's replay — full report in Friday's Free Press

- Report of the match of the year on Page 20
- Pictures, pictures, pictures of the big match — Pages 6 and 19 and more colour on the back
- There's more to follow on this great week for Wycombe football in Friday's Free Press

WYCOMBE YOUTH FOUND HANGED

AFTER being reported missing from his home, 17-year-old Paul Michael Savage, of American Hill Green, High Wycombe, was found dead on Saturday hanging from a tree on farmland at Hugheenden Valley.

Paul had been reported missing from home on January 1 and police had been carrying out a search for him.

The facts have been reported to the Coroner and an inquest is to be held.

THIEVES walked off with a

BEACONSFIELD District Council have failed in a court bid to get the Pyebush gypsy camp in Beaconsfield pronounced unfit for human habitation. They also failed to get an injunction involving serving abatement orders and summonses on over 20 gypsies after their inspector had found conditions on the site had恶化.

Eighteen gypsies were, however, ordered by Beaconsfield Magistrates on Thursday to comply with the requirements of the abatement orders and clean up the site within 14 days or face stiff financial penalties.

Mr. Ian Howard Bennings of Merton Road, Slough, Marlow Police are appealing for witnesses.

A QUANTITY of £5 notes estimated to be between £150 and £200 in total value, were stolen from a petty cash box at B. Sherman (London) Ltd., at 6a The Green, Wooburn Green, on Friday.

A YOUNG schoolboy has his right leg amputated after a violent head injury after an incident involving a car when he was walking along the Marlow-Bourne End road near Wooburn Green about midnight on Friday. He is Michael Simmonds from Priory Road, High Wycombe. Driver of the Austin Mini involved in

WITH THEIR heads held high, knowing that they are the talk of the footballing world, a Wycombe Wanderers squad of 26, including 18 players flew up to Middlesbrough on Monday night for their third round F.A. Cup replay with the First Division side.

Wycombe Wanderers, or should it be Wycombe Wonders? For less than 48 hours previously they had staggered the world of sport by not only holding the second-placed Division One side to a goalless draw, but by outplaying them in the second half.

The Wanderers made the trip to the North East knowing that if they beat Middlesbrough, then Sunderland, who won the FA Cup in 1973, will be the fourth round visitors to Loakes Park.

The Wanderers stayed at the Tall Trees Hotel on Tesside on Monday night and had a work out on Middlesbrough's training ground on Tuesday morning.

After tonight's replay they come back home by coach and hope to be in Wycombe by five o'clock on Wednesday night.

Saturday's match, no doubt about it, was the biggest thing that had happened to Wycombe in years. Television, sound radio and the national press descended on Loakes Park and the Wanderers earned Wycombe publicity by the ton.

They deserved every bit of it, and when it was all over the crowd went mad with joy.

So did Middlesbrough's manager, Jackie Charlton, with relief.

A credit to Wycombe

The match was well staged and there were few grumbles. Nearly 100 regular police, supported by squads of Special Constabulary, were on duty at the big match.

But no incidents were reported. And the 'Black Maria,' started by fire in cars, was not used.

"Everything went very smoothly," Supt. David Aspley, of High Wycombe police division, told Mid-week. "Everyone was well behaved. We were very pleased."

And ITV commentator Brian Moore said afterwards: "It was a great game to Wycombe."

It was, and Mr. Moore hit the nail right on the head with this summing up.

Back to the big replay.

Hundreds of fans, preparing for the trek to Middlesbrough, had to wait until British Rail had not laid on a 'football special' for them.

The fans are making the 600 mile round trip in coaches and a fleet of private cars.

British Rail say that they could not provide a train because of staffing difficulties.

The fare divisional management was shared by Wanderers' manager, Mr. Brian Lee.

"It is sad when so many people would like to see the replay that it is in midweek, and said that those who could make the journey can't have a special train because there is no driver," he said.

A spokesman for British Rail pointed out that laying on a long distance train required not just one driver, but several crews.

"We would need four or five changes of crews in each direction a run like this. Drivers must know the line and they can only drive in a limited area," he said.

"We would have been delighted to have been able to have helped and we wish the Wanderers all the very best," he added.

GYPSIES GET A 'CLEAN UP' PYEBUSH ORDER

They were James Hanrahan, the occupier of a cream and brown caravan who gave his name to Jimmy Bunting Lake Wall, Muriel O'Brien occupier of a small light green van, Joseph Byrne, Patrick O'Connor, Thomas Cash, Peter Wall, Thomas Connor, Patrick Connors, Peter Wall, Ada Rooney, Felix Rooney, Don Murphy, Pat Ward Simmonds against Michael Wall, Eileen Cash and John Snod who had been placed too close together.

Only three of the eighteen defendants and their parents, Mr. Patrick O'Connor, a resident on the site for nearly twelve months, said he used the field as a latrine occasionally, but added that he had done nothing to subdue the council to his tip.

Mr. Henry Compton, district constable, told the court that there were old and fresh vegetable peelings and faeces on the site, and on one occasion he had found the remains of a dead pony which had appeared to

have been eaten by dogs. Nearby trees and bushes were being used regularly as latrines. Some effort had been made to redress the situation since the abatement orders were served, but the site was still a health hazard. The site was not easily accessible, he said, having no public facilities or water supply, and the caravans were placed too close together.

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lived on the site for two or three months, and during that time he had seen a contractor dumping rubble on the site. He said he used the bushes and trees as a toilet but "not often".

Toilet trouble

Mrs. Muriel Childs, a welfare officer for the Southern Gypsies Council and who is employed by Bucks Education Department to teach a class of 60 children on the site said that she often had to close the school to take the children to the nearest public toilet. They had applied for a chemical disposal unit to the council but had received no disposal bags from the council for weeks. She did not have a suggestion from Mr. Aram that the site was unsuitable for human habitation, but she also had seen rubbish being dumped on the site by outsiders.

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been left by interlopers and outsiders, she said.

Mr. B. Keen, defending suggested that there was no real evidence to connect the rubbish with the gypsies and many of them were illiterate and could not read an abatement order notice.

Before pronouncing sentence the magistrates inspected the site.

Later they ordered all eighteen gypsies to comply with the abatement orders in 14 days. This means that they must get rid of all foreign material including food scraps, metal and other rubbish, said Mr. Gairman Collier, chairman of the council. Failure to do so would mean a fine of up to £50 for each person and a further £5 per day for every day site remained unclean.

Mr. Aram then applied for costs which application was denied. Mr. Gairman Collier said that many of the people involved were unemployed and not even receiving social security. The magistrates subsequently made no orders for costs.

Pay £5 to park outside your own house

YOU MAY HAVE TO PAY TO PARK OUTSIDE YOUR OWN HOUSE.... It could cost as much as £5 to park outside your house after Bucks County Council Highways Sub Committee agreed in principle to allow permit parking.

The sub committee were told that an administrative cost of £2 should be made but at least one member thought this sum too low.

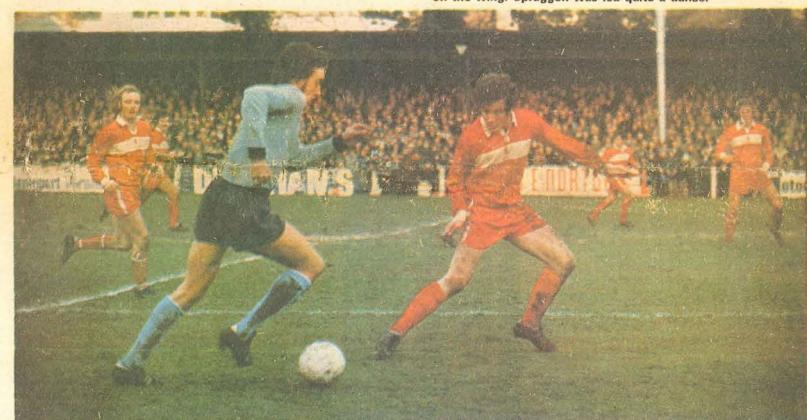
Councillor Geoffrey Roberts proposed that £5 should be the cost of permit parking.

Free permit parking is already allowed in a few streets in Aylesbury.

Permit parking would allow frontage owners to park where there is little or no offstreet parking and where shoppers near



ALL ACTION



The Free Press Adfone girls were again in action at the match. They led the cheers and also paraded the Killer Cup which the Free Press presented to the Wanderers via Jackie Charlton, the Middlesbrough manager. Below, more action — Wycombe's Steve Perrin is faced by Frank Spraggon during an attack on the wing. Spraggon was led quite a dance.

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HAPPINESS IS A DRAW WITH MIDDLESBROUGH



SALUTE TO THE BRAVE

When the final whistle blew at Loakes Park on Saturday afternoon thousands of Wycombe fans surged onto the pitch to salute their heroes who had outplayed Middlesbrough champions of the second division of the Football League and runners up at present in Division One. Below, Adfone girls from the Free Press lead some of the cheers for Wycombe. The Free Press put up the "Killer Cup" to mark the giant killing exploits of the Wanderers.



WHAT THE CHAIRMAN SAW



Happiness, for Wycombe Wanderers is a draw with Middlesbrough in that breath-taking pulsating F.A. Cup third round tie before 12,000 fans at Loakes Park on Saturday. And not only did the amateurs draw, they only missed winning by inches. Asked Middlesbrough's boss Jack Charlton, "How much longer is there to go?" "Twenty-five minutes," came the reply. "Good God, we'll never make it" he said.

But they hung on and that is why the Wanderers are on the way to Ayresome Park today, with the knowledge that if they win then Sunderland cup-holders of a season ago, will be due at Loakes Park at the end of the month.

Match of the year pictures by Bob Mead, Geoff Gomme and Alan Holmes.

And Big Jack is delighted to get away with it



Special dressing room picture of the most relieved man in High Wycombe, big Jack Charlton, ex England and Leeds United centre-half and the colourful manager of Middlesbrough. What did he think of the draw? He was delighted to get away with it. "When you come to Ayresome Park on Tuesday you will find plenty of open spaces and you'll have to run there" he quipped. But like the sportsman he is, big Jack was lavish in his praise of the Wanderers.



THE HAPPY WANDERER

A picture that hardly needs a caption to portray the spirit of a Happy Wanderer. And we have loads of them in these parts.



Action highlights from the big match



Middlesbrough goalkeeper Jim Platt halts this Wanderers attack during the first half.



Keith Searle goes flying while 'Boro full-back Frank Spraggon juggles with the ball.



Middlesbrough full-backs Frank Spraggon (left) and John Craggs go up for the ball with Wycombe's Tony Horseman at one of the Blues' many corners during Saturday's match.



Dave Armstrong is beaten by Steve Perrin with Howard Kennedy (2nd left), Tony Horseman and Keith Searle in close support.



Wanderer's captain, Alan Phillips, goes sprawling after he had headed Wycombe's closest effort just past the post in the 70th minute.

'I THOUGHT WE'D NEVER MAKE IT' — CHARLTON

JACK CHARLTON, Middlesbrough manager: "We won't be put on the track as much as we were today for a long time. With 25 minutes left I thought we'd never make it and on the day Wycombe really deserved to win. They caused us lots of problems. We couldn't string passes together and we certainly didn't expect to see Wycombe putting in so many corners and goals."

"Their hacking up and chasing made life very difficult for us but I was delighted with our back play. They were too strong and inaccurate and they were just that. I thought they were magnificent."

"That slope is frightening. It must be an advantage. I'm telling you, if you're flat on the hill, Charlton Park and Wycombe are going to get a chasing. Nevertheless, I thought Wycombe Wanderers were the better team today."

BRIAN LEE, Wycombe manager: "Before the game I didn't think we had a chance to win and I still stick by what I said. We were beaten because we didn't play as well as they are capable."

"I think we set a points decider to the officials because we are not used to this kind of pressure and enthusiasm they received."

MICK HOLFIELD: "My wrist didn't bother me much during the game. I fell on it once but came the other way and it was really shattered at the end."

KETH SEARLE: "Everyone worked so hard I felt we deserved it today. In fact, we had nice, nice goals late in the game. There was nothing clear-cut. The effort by everyone was great and the vocal support was tremendous."

TONY HORSEMAN: "They were big and quick at the back and we didn't get the breaks. You only get one or two anyway in these tight games. We were nickel and goal late in the game but there was nothing clear-cut. The effort by everyone was great and the vocal support was tremendous."

JOHN MASKELL: "It's a pity half as many as last game at Bournemouth. In fact, I felt a bit deflated. I expected far more from Middlesbrough. This must have been one of my quietest games for a long time."

TERRY REARDON: "I was disappointed with Middlesbrough. I expected far more from a First Division team. They showed their class and authority but I heard them say shut up shop midway through the second half."

BRIAN MORRIS, the Big Match commentator: "It was a pleasure to see Wycombe Wanderers on Saturday. I would like to thank the officials for making it such an enjoyable day."

Meanwhile at Gainsborough Park, little Altringham were far from overawed against Everton, one-time leaders of the First Division. They went in front with a John Hughes goal and it took a penalty equaliser by Dave Clement to earn a replay.

To most people, the most memorable days ever for the non-league clubs, Leatherhead won at Brighton 1-0 and Staffordshire's Rotherham at a goalless draw.

Chris Kelly was Leatherhead's hero, scoring a brilliant individual goal to clinch the verdict. The Tanners now fancy their chances of upsetting the form again against Leicester City in the next round.

HOW THEY STAND

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Dagenham	19	13	3	4	48	22	42
Walthamstow	20	12	2	6	45	21	40
L'head	20	12	2	6	45	21	40
Tipton	20	11	2	7	44	22	39
Sutton	23	12	2	9	44	32	38
Kingston	25	11	3	11	46	18	34
Birkdale	20	9	1	10	40	18	34
St. Albans	22	8	6	8	36	31	29
Harrow	24	8	4	12	32	24	30
Oxford	23	8	4	11	32	26	28
Woking	24	8	3	13	28	24	27
L'stone	24	6	6	12	28	42	24
Ruislip	23	8	3	12	33	34	18
Hitchin	16	5	2	9	24	34	17
Brentwood	24	4	1	19	21	17	20
Watton	25	3	1	21	21	10	12
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Jim Platt stretches but fails to reach this Wycombe corner as Alan Phillips closes in.



Wanderer's captain, Alan Phillips, goes sprawling after he had headed Wycombe's closest effort just past the post in the 70th minute.

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